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FEDERAL HIGHWAYS AND GAS TAX

It is reported in Washington that President Eisenhower is ready to ask an increase in the gasoline tax of one or one and one-half cents. One of the primary causes of this request, according to the source, is the need for additional money for the forty-billion dollar federal highway program.

The increase in cost is estimated to amount to $1,860,000,000 in fiscal 1958 alone. Expressed in another way, the federal highway program will cost that much more during fiscal 1958 that it was originally expected to cost. In the meantime, little building has begun.

This is certainly disappointing, but it should be remembered that building highways requires long planning, and the actual construction itself is a long-term proposition. Therefore, most of the progress made in the first two years would necessarily have been that in the planning and preliminary stages.

Of course, President Eisenhower now finds that the federal highway system is going to cost more than Congress thought it would cost, and that extra money will be needed to get on with the job. Therefore, he is prepared to ask for an increase in the gasoline tax. The present federal tax on gasoline is three cents per gallon.

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EXIT: THE GROUND OBSER VER CORPS

The Secretary of the Air Force recently announced that by January 21st, the U. S. Ground Observer Corps will be de-activated. Some 280,000 active citizen volunteers have been manning some 16,000 observation posts during the past year in carrying out this program.

For a number of years it has been apparent that the Ground Observer Corps is limited in its capability. Although there were fifty filter centers throughout the nation, and although many patriotic Americans served faithfully for nine years, or less, and although the intentions were good, science and the modern age has surpassed the capacity of ground observation.

In its time, the GOC has been a huge peacetime civilian volunteer defense organization, representing both patriotism and determination amoung our citizens. At its peak, in 1956, there were 17,000 observer posts in the country, almost 2,000 on 24-hour duty, and 73 filter centers. The GOC, then, is a victim of the times and modern science, but the spirit which actuated and sustained it was the true American spirit.

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THE DEFICIT AND THE BUDGET

It is now estimated that the deficit for the fiscal year 1959 (the present fiscal year) will amount to about $12,200,000,000. The government is expected to spend almost $80,000,000,000 and collect only about $68,000,000,000 from taxes.

In the past fiscal year, the government spent about $72,000,000,000 and collected about $70,000,000,000 in various revenue forms. Thus the prospect for the current fiscal year is less money collected and greatly increased spending.

One of the reasons for the increased spending is the huge amount which has been required to make unemployment compensation payments. Increasing the general total is inflation, and increased spending in various government agencies. The cost of defense has also been a little higher than had been expected.

The business recession, which will reduce the collection of taxes in the current fiscal year some one or two billion dollars, adds to the woes of the federal government. Thus, President Eisenhower is facing the most serious financial situation of his Administration. And in its proper prospective, this is the most serious problem he has had to face up to. The nation cannot stand the loose fiscal policy of the Eisenhower Administration. The very thought of a $12 billion deficit in peace time is shocking, to say the least. Some of the blame must rest with the Congress. However, it is hardly likely that Congress would look with favor upon increasing taxes, to the tune of over $12 billion in a Presidential election year, which it will face when it meets again in January. Positive leadership is urgently needed.

Our feeling is that Mr. Eisenhower owes it to the nation to call in such experts and experienced financial leaders as Senator Byrd, of Virginia, and undertake a bi-partisan effort to balance the federal budget, and whittle down the alarmingly mounting debt.

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Washington Notes

Ike Eying Spending Cut

President Eisenhower hopes Federal spending in the year starting July 1 can be cut below this year's estimated $79,200,000,000.

Vanguard Schedule

Vanguard scientists are giving up for this year any more attempts to send satellites aloft. Meanwhile, they hope to make the launching rocket more reliable.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration holds the opinion that the results of the study during the brief interruption in the Vanguard schedule will increase materially the chances for successful launches in the future.

Farm Food Cost

An agricultural economist estimates that both farm and city families spend an average of 31 per cent of their consumption dollar for food.

Farm family expeditures for food are, on the average, lower than those of urban families. But when taken as a proportion of a smaller total, the food expenditures are the same, percentagewise, as the city family.

Corn Controls Rejected

Farmers voted in a referendum recently to end 25-year-old Government production controls on corn, the nation's largest single crop.

This was the first time since before World War II that growers of a major crop had turned thumbs down on Federal restrictions as a measure for stabilizing returns.

Foreign Aid

The Eisenhower Administartion has tentatively added about $1,000,000,000 to its new foreign aid budget, despite a White House drive to cut Federal spending.

Government agencies have put together a package calling for about $4,200,000,000 to $4,300,000,000 in economic, technical, and military aid to more than 40 friendly governments in the year starting next July 1.

Supplies To Go Through

Secretary of State Dulles says that the United States might let the East Germans check the Western supply routes into Berlin, but has warned the Soviet Union that the supplies were going through regardless of any Communist blockade.

Capital Monument Plan

Francis Biddle has expressed his intention of asking Congress to erect a monument to President Franklin D. Roosevelt close to the marble memorials of Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Biddle, former Attorney General, is the Franklin D. Roosevelt Commission.

Freezer industry reports increase in sales.

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...had some cold winter ...for killing hogs. ...Harris visited in the ...and Mrs. T. C. Har-

...Addington has re-...er of the New Hope Baptist Church.

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Kinckle Martin. We extend sympathy to the family.

Farmers are busy getting their tobacco ready to sell.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Saturday.

Mr. Lewis Turnes visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Friday night.

Mrs. Richard Carson and Sylvia visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Sunday.

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Devotional Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8.

Go!

Lesson for December 14, 1958

A WEALTHY American woman with time on her hands and unable to become interested in any of the things that need doing around our country wanted above all things to "contemplate." She achieved her hope, and incidentally some notoriety for which she no doubt hadn't hoped; but as any one might guess, she had to go outside the Christian religion to find what she wanted. She joined the Zen sect of Buddhism, a sect that specializes in contemplation.

Dr. Foreman

What she was looking for was a spectator religion, and Christianity is not a spectator religion. A spectator sport is one you look at but don't play. A spectator religion is one where you just think. Buddha, the founder of the religion this lady chose, is nearly always pictured sitting down (and very fat he gets, too). The object of life for the Buddhist is to escape life. (Buddha himself started out by deserting his family.) The object of life for the Christian is to take his part in it, and by the way he takes part in it to change it.

"To Be With Him"

A religion which would be all action and no thought, would be as one-sided as a religion all thought and no action. A Christian who never drew aside from the crowd, who never tried to get a perspective on life, who never once asked himself, What am I doing here? What does life mean? Would be an unbalanced Christian, just as unbalanced as one who took out all his religion in meditation. There are two significant statements by Mark—mere phrase, but illuminating—which illustrate the two-sidedness of Christianity from the very first. When Jesus chose the Twelve, Mark says he appointed them "to be with him" (Mark 3:14), and "to be sent out." First of all they had to be with him. There would have been no use in sending them out before they were well acquainted with him, learning his mind and his purpose. It was important then and no less so today that a Christian, to be of service in the world, must live intimately enough with Jesus so that when he does active service he will serve in the spirit of Christ and not only his own.

"To Be Sent Out!"

Dreaming is easier than doing. Plans can be made with less effort than production. If Jesus had appointed his apostles simply to be with him, and nothing further, he would have founded what Buddha did, an order of monks. Now there have been monks in Christendom, even "contemplative" monasteries from which no monk ever emerges into the world again. But the leaders of Christianity, from Jesus on, have never supposed that contemplation is the first and last word for Christians in this world. One of the last things Jesus said in the Upper Room, was, "I appointed you that you should go and bear fruit . . ." The very last thing that Matthew records Jesus as saying was a sentence beginning with the word "Go!" Now if a Christian has really been with Jesus, if he has absorbed his spirit and accepted his truth, he will in a real way take Jesus with him wherever he goes. (More correctly, Christ takes him.) Our Lord multiplies himself through these dedicated lives.

The Call Today

All that has been said is true for all Christians. But just as, in those days, some men, the apostles, were chosen as set-apart men with their whole energies given to the Christian witness, so in these days, God calls some Christians to some form of special full-time, set-apart service. Some are called to be evangelists, some pastors and teachers as Paul said. But young people do not always realize that ministers are not the only kind of full-timers there are. Most churches have a variety of places open for Christians of many different kinds of talents. If you will write to your denominations headquarters and ask what openings there are now, here and abroad, for full-time Christian service, you will be surprised—and very likely challenged—by the human needs which are crying, right now, for the help which the church is prepared to give . . . if they can find 'e— dedicated people.

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Uranium Institute backs new A. E. C. buying policy.

Stonewall

Stonewall, Dec. 8.- My, the cold spell has surely made the farmers kill their hogs. The cannery has surely been busy with meat, for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alvis visited her mother, Mrs. Herbert Matthews Jr., on Sunday, in the Charlottesville Hospital. She had an operation there last week. Glad she is getting on nicely and we hope for her a speedy get well.

Mr. Joe Wheeler, of Roanoke, and Mr. John Wheeler, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler on Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Stratton, of Appomattox visited here with relatives on Sunday.

Mr. Murrell Routon, of South Carolina expects to arrive home on Dec. 19, to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Routon.

Bethel Church will present their Christmas program on Saturday, Dec. 20, at 7:30. Their many friends are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and Lawrence visited her parents and his mother on Sunday.

Sorry to hear that Mr. G. O. Thornhill and Mrs. B. D. Stratton are on the sick list. Hope for both of them a speedy get well.

Mrs. Ida Stratton has returned home after visiting in Lynchburg with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Newman and baby.

Mrs. Elsie Caldwell spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell, Jr.

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AVERAGE $47.40

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AVERAGE $48.10

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614 lbs. — $29.00 to $59.00
AVERAGE $46.90

C. B. TAYLOR, CHARLOTTE
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AVERAGE $51.20

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